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ATTACK OF CHINESE WAR LORDS ON U.S.S.R. CUSTOMS HOUSE, AND NANKING LIES FORCED DIPLOMATIC BREAK

CHINESE WORKERS IN AMERICA CALL FOR DEFENSE OF SOVIET UNION AGAINST IMPERIALISTS

Score Tools of American and World Imperialists Who Lead Chinese Armies Against U.S.S.R.

Declare That Many Soldiers Will Desert; Brand Seizure of Railroad as Brigandage

The Chinese workers in America, through their organizations in the food workers and other industries, especially in New York City, yesterday expressed their utter contempt and hatred for the war lords of China, who have reared a throne on the corpses of thousands of beheaded Chinese workers, and who now seek to use the working class of China as cannon fodder in an attack on the Soviet Union.

"The soldiers should desert the militarists' armies," say the Chinese workers here, and call on all workers everywhere to support the Socialist Fatherland of all labor. The statement is as follows:

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DENOUNCE CHIANG KAI-SHEK TERROR.

"Speaking in the name of the Alliance for Support of the Chinese Workers' and Peasants' Revolution, we, Chinese workers and students in the United States, declare our determined opposition to the bandit government of Chiang Kai-shek, the base hireling of imperialism. The calumnies and provocations against the Soviet Union, the brigand act in seizing the Chinese Eastern Railway, the arrests, imprisonment and deportations of Soviet citizens who were carrying out the joint treaty of 1924 regarding the Chinese Eastern Line, are a part of the general drive of American and world imperialism against the Soviet Union.

"NOT THE WORKERS' GOVERNMENT."

"The Nanking government of Chiang Kai-shek does not represent the Chinese people, who know that in their hour of need, when they were beset by the armed hordes of the imperialist powers, the one government on earth that stood by us was the government of the Union of Socialist Soviet Republics.

"The fact that Chiang Kai-shek and his crooked, grasping gang of adventurers that he calls a government have sold out to the imperialists does not bind the Chinese masses to support such a policy. On the contrary it is to the interests of the masses to do everything in their power to bring about the defeat of the Nanking regime.

"Chiang Kai-shek maintains governmental power, not by the consent of the Chinese people, but by mass slaughter and unrestrained terror, supported by arms, munitions and

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STAND BY THE FIRST WORKERS' REPUBLIC!

Expose the Kellogg Pact as Instrument Against the Soviet Union! Demonstrate Against Imperialist War on Socialist Fatherland! Prepare for Strikes and Demonstrations!

The present attack on the Soviet Union is the result of the imperialist conspiracy in which the ruling class of the United States has played and is playing a leading role. The proposals of the Soviet government that the powers of the world agree to complete and immediate disarmament was rejected by the war-mongering governments. By that rejection the imperialist powers proved that their professions of peace are hypocritical. While talking about world peace, they continue strengthening their armed forces for world war.

The Kellogg pact concocted at Paris last September was an attempt to counteract the disarmament proposals of the Soviet Union and to place the United States government at the head of world reaction. The nations that formulated the articles of the Kellogg pact are precisely the ones that are at this moment backing the attack against the Soviet Union in Manchuria. Under the banner of the Kellogg pact the imperialists of the world are waging a united struggle against the Soviet Union.

This fierce struggle is being waged because of the mighty growth of the forces of production within the Soviet Union. The building of socialism in the Soviet Union, the victorious march of the socialist forces over the capitalist forces in the land of the former czars, the undermining of the capitalist elements in the cities and villages of the Soviet Union destroys all hope of undermining and destroying the Soviet Union from within. The assured success of the Five-Year Plan of Industrialization, that will make the Soviet power independent of the capitalist powers, goads the imperialist plunderers to unrestrained fury. The contradictions within the frame-work of capitalism itself, the sharpening contradictions throughout the whole world, the growing precariousness of capitalist stabilization, the tremendous and ever-growing disproportion between productive capacity and the market, impels the imperialists to strive to cut through those contradictions with fire and sword. The American imperialist power, with billions at stake and facing more difficult problems is deeply involved in the conspiracy.

The war preparations, the cruiser program, the ambitious ventures in aircraft, the strengthening of the army, the war-games being staged for propaganda purposes as well as experimental drills to test the efficiency of the armed forces, are proof of the duplicity in which the Kellogg pact was conceived.

The fight in defense of the Soviet Union here in the United States means a direct struggle against the ruling class, the Wall Street brigands who stand behind the Chinese bandit government. We must wage a determined struggle against the war danger and must perfect organizations of workers that can deliver heavy blows against the war-mongers. We must organize the workers in the war industries, fight against rationalization of industry, against conscription of labor, against every manifestation of imperialist war preparations. But today there is one task that overshadows all others. That is the fight in defense of the workers' and peasants' government of the Soviet Union! Unless the imperialist conspiracies against the Union of Socialist Soviet Republics are defeated the working class of the world will face the blackest reaction known in all history.

Tonight the workers of New York, Saturday night the workers of Cleveland, Chicago and other cities, demonstrate against the imperialist attack on the Soviet Union! Fill the streets in the working class sections and voice your protests against the robber role of the American imperialist butchers who would like to repeat on Soviet soil the slaughters they carry on in China, in Nicaragua and other Latin-American countries.

FIGHT THE IMPERIALIST WAR DANGER!

DOWN TOOLS ON AUGUST FIRST—INTERNATIONAL DAY AGAINST IMPERIALIST WAR!

U. S., BRITISH AND FRENCH EMPIRES PROPAGANDIZING AGAINST THE SOVIET UNION

Withdrawing of Soviet Workers from Chinese Eastern Railway Means Road Won't Work

U. S. S. R. Still Strives for Peace; Wild Story of Invasion of Manchuria Imperialist Lie

The workers and peasants of the Soviet Union continue to voice the pledges of their tens of millions to the support of the Soviet government, which has been forced by the hypocritical answer of the Nanking government and continued aggression by Mukden police and soldiery to break off relations.

The workers of the world are rallying to the aid of the Socialist Fatherland, huge mass demonstrations are being arranged in every large industrial city in the world, leading up to International Anti-War Day, August First.

The French imperialist government attempts to make propaganda against the Soviet Union in this crisis, and to cripple the anti-war demonstrations by raiding the offices of the French Communist paper, L'Humanite, and all the Communist Party offices. Meanwhile the British and American governments, with their imperialist League of Nations and Kellogg pact, attempt to fool the workers in their countries and make propaganda against the Soviet Union.

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CHINESE PEOPLE AGAINST MILITARISTS.

(Wireless By Inprecorr.)

MOSCOW, U. S. S. R., July 18.—The note of the Soviet government to the Chinese militarists, breaking off relations, states that the U. S. S. R. knows the difference between the Chinese people and the militarist clique, which arrogates to itself the right to speak in the former's name. The Soviet government will be compelled to take measures

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"Defend Soviet Union!" Says Call from Communist Party

"Defend the Soviet Union Against the Chinese War Lords, Hirelings of World Imperialism," is the keynote of a stirring statement issued yesterday by the Communist Party, District 2 (New York) calling for all revolutionary workers to down tools August 1 at 4 p. m., and demonstrate in thousands in Union Square on International Anti-War Day against the bloody assault on the first workers' republic by the Chiang Kai-shek and Chang Hsueh-liang governments.

The statement points out that it is not just the two militarist butchers of the Chinese workers, who now engage in the most insolent provocation against the Union of Socialist Soviet Republics, but that they are the tools of world imperialism, maneuvering on the plains of Manchuria against the deadly enemy of imperialism and the whole capitalist system of exploitation, fighting the first battle of a new war through mercenaries. The Communist statement is as follows:

To All Members of the Communist Party of the U. S. A., New York District,

To All Revolutionary Workers:

Comrades: The Soviet Union, the land of the workers and peasants, the fatherland of the proletariat of the world is being attacked by the Chinese war lords, hirelings of world imperialism.

The servile government of Chiang Kai-shek, butcher of tens of thousands of the best of proletarian workers, is now doing the dirty work of the imperialist oppressors of the world.

The war which the capitalist class has for years been preparing against the Soviet Union is now beginning, with the blow being struck

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START BIG DRIVE TO ORGANIZE THE DRESS INDUSTRY

Warning is Issued Against ILGW Moves

The dressmakers have swung into action. Several hundred active dressmakers, gathering in Webster Hall, 119 E. 11th St., last night, at the call of the Needle Trades Workers Industrial Union, decided to organize at once a vigorous organization campaign throughout the entire industry.

The organization drive of the dressmakers comes in the shadow of the shameless fake agreement foisted upon the thousands of exploited cloak workers by the "socialist" officialdom of the International Ladies Garment Workers Company Union. And, judging from the spirit at last night's meeting, it is this fake agreement, which the Schlesinger clique threaten to extend to the dress industry, that will act as a boomerang, spurring on the dressmakers to drive out the treacherous company union agents and win for themselves real union conditions.

I. L. G. W. Threatens Dressmakers.

"There is no cause for discouragement about the cloak situation," declared Rose Wertis, Industrial Union leader. "Already the workers are realizing how great the betrayal is. The industry is demoralized and will become more so, and sooner or later the cloakmakers will be out fighting again, this time under the leadership of the Industrial Union.

"Now the company union is turning to the dressmakers and Schlesinger has announced that he wants

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Red Soldiers on Border Ready to Sacrifice All In Defense of Workers

No one who has crossed the borders of the Soviet Union and gone into capitalist countries seething with armed mercenaries in the service of imperialism can fail to appreciate the spirit of sacrifice that pervades the soldiers of the Red Army and the G. P. U. (State Political Administration) who are stationed on the frontiers.

In case of a border attack by the imperialist agents these defenders of the revolution are the first to fall. Thousands of these Red Soldiers have died at the hands of alleged bandit gangs, who were in reality imperialist murderers. Young, defiant, determined, these men are the very embodiment of the revolution.

Today they stand at the Manchurian border ready to sacrifice their lives that the Soviet Union, the outpost of the world revolution, may live.

These Red Army men never whimper, never complain about being called upon to make sacrifices. They are ready at any time to sacrifice their all.

How pitifully small is the sacrifice demanded of Party members in the United States, in comparison with the sacrifices of these soldiers of the revolution! Yet, there are those who call themselves revolutionists who, even today when war is being waged against the Soviet Union, who refuse to even meet the One Day's Wage assessment to enable the Party and the Daily Worker fulfill their revolutionary duty to the proletariat of the United States and the world.

If the Red Army soldiers can sacrifice their very lives surely you can sacrifice.

The suspension of the Daily Worker in the United States at this time would be a blow to the defense of the Soviet Union. Let every Party member at once pay the one day's assessment and collect from sympathizers a fund to help keep the Daily alive. Send contributions to save the Daily Worker to the office at 26 Union Square, New York City.

GASTONIA BOSSES CHANGE TACTICS; GET NEW JUDGE

Allow Indictment of Roach and Gilbert

(Special to the Daily Worker.)

CHARLOTTE, N. C., July 18.—In a last minute attempt to avoid the unfavorable publicity resulting from basing their case for the electrocution of 15 workers so much on the perjured affidavits of Gunman Roach and Policeman Gilbert, and to prepare a more complete and more skillful frame-up of the defendants, the mill owners who run the state of North Carolina, have permitted the indictment by the Mecklinburg grand jury of Roach and Gilbert for assault with intent to kill, and have had the trial judge changed. Judge Hoyle Sink, who is openly and notoriously a company judge, was substituted for, in a gubernatorial order today, by Judge Barnhill.

Mill Press Prophesied Move.

The Gastonia Gazette published in a recent issue a surprising admission, totally different from its previous propaganda, admitting that the sort of publicity the North Carolina mill section was getting out of the Gastonia case was detrimental to it, and that workers were beginning to believe that conditions in all the mills were as bad as those in the Loray mill. It strongly hinted at the necessity for changing the trial judge.

Roach and Gilbert have been before the grand jury for two days, on charges supported by affidavits, that they were drunk and disorderly on the night of the fatal shooting of

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Defend the Soviet Union! Things You Must Do!

1. Rouse the workers in the factories to the danger confronting the Soviet Union.

2. Organize anti-war committees in the shops. Preparatory for the antiwar demonstration August 1st, resolutions must be passed in the shops protesting the provocative acts against the Soviet Union and resolutions for the defense of the Soviet Union.

3. Adopt resolutions of protest and support for the Soviet Union in all trade unions and in all labor organizations.

4. Elect delegates, from three to five, in all labor organizations, small or large, to attend the mass Anti-War Conference on July 25, in Irving Plaza, to defend the Soviet Union and to organize the anti-war demonstrations of August 1.

DOWN TOOLS AUGUST FIRST!

5. Propagate for the slogan of anti-war day, August 1. Down tools at 4 o'clock! Join the demonstration at Union Square. Parade from your shop to Union Square.

6. Get all workers to attend Friday's special demonstrations throughout the city. Make these meetings ringing protests for the immediate defense of the Soviet Union and preparation for Anti-War Day, August 1.

7. On every occasion, wherever possible, speak at factory gate meetings, spread Party leaflets, issue special editions of shop bulletins, issue special leaflets to the factories in your locality raising the call for the fight against the coming war! Down tools August First.

8. Be prepared for the call of the Party for every event in the present war developments.

The above tasks are the concern of every loyal member that feels himself a soldier of the world proletarian army. To forsake your duty at this moment is treachery to the working class! All unit functionaries, all Party members, redouble your energies; speed up the fight!

TONIGHT!

Demonstrate Against the Attacks on the Soviet Union!

DEMONSTRATE IN YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD!

10th Street and Second Avenue
110th Street and 5th Avenue
Intervale and Wilkins Avenues, Bronx
Whitehall and South Ferry
Grand Street Extension, Brooklyn
Stone and Pitkin Avenues, Brooklyn
13th Avenue and 43rd Street, Brooklyn
Steinway and Jamaica Avenues, Astoria, L. I.

Forward to Aug. 1

Workers! Mercenary troops have been rushed to the Siberian frontier of the Soviet Union by the imperialist hirelings who are getting their forces into position for a concerted attack on the Soviet Union!

Now more than ever, the workers of the world must rally in great masses to support their fatherland, the U.S.S.R. TONIGHT! The entire city, including your neighborhood, will be the scene of monster mass meetings to express the indignation of the workers of this city against the concerted attack on the Soviet Union. Join these demonstrations! Get the other workers in your shop and organization to join! Let yourself be heard against imperialist war preparations. Prepare to DOWN TOOLS AT 4 O'CLOCK THURSDAY, AUGUST FIRST, INTERNATIONAL RED DAY TO PROTEST IMPERIALIST WAR PREPARATIONS and to mobilize American labor together with the workers of the world to DEFEND THE SOVIET UNION!

Attack of the Chinese War Lords Forced Diplomatic Break with the U.S.S.R

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against possible attacks of the Chinese militarists against large sections of the Soviet Union's eastern frontiers.

The wave of indignation of the masses in the U. S. S. R. is developing into indescribable enthusiasm. The workers are supporting the government by contributing one per cent of their wages for the defense of the Soviet Union. The peasants are supporting it by paying the agricultural taxes in advance and supplying larger quantities of grain.

Chinese worker demonstrators are welcomed everywhere with the greatest enthusiasm.

The Academy of Sciences has adopted a resolution supporting the Soviet government and appealing to scientists throughout the world, and particularly in China, to permit no interference with the constructive work of the young proletarian state.

Concentration of troops of the Chang Hsueh-liang government continues along the Manchurian-Siberian border.

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SUPPRESS COMMUNIST PAPERS.

(Wireless by Inprecorr.)

PRAGUE, Czecho-Slovakia, July 18.—During the last few days the authorities have suppressed eight of the nine Communist dailies.

The only one now appearing is the Delnicky Denik, which is also threatened with suppression. Several weekly Communist papers have also been suppressed. The period of suppression is four weeks for the dailies and six months for the weeklies. This measure is an attempt to hinder the preparations for the August 1 International Anti-Imperialist War Demonstrations.

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SENTENCE L'HUMANITE MANAGER.

(Wireless By Inprecorr.)

PARIS, France, July 18.—At the time of the police raid on L'Humanite, yesterday, which resulted in arrests, Denys, manager of the paper, was sentenced to 15 years' imprisonment on account of the publication of articles concerning the chauvinist airplane display at Vincennes. The prosecution alleged the articles incited military persons to disobey their superiors.

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SOCIALIST YOUTH CLASH ON WAR.

(Wireless By Inprecorr.)

VIENNA, Austria, July 18.—The congress of the socialist youth international, held yesterday and the day before, presented a thoroughly bourgeois picture, many of the delegates being adults. The proceedings were boring until the discussion on the war danger was reached. The British delegates then demanded co-operation with the workers of the Soviet Union and the Communists in the struggle against the war danger and for the defense of the Soviet Union. The British delegates declared there was aggression against the Soviet Union, supported by the imperialists.

ACCUSE SOCIALISTS.

They stated furthermore that this imperialist aggression was being supported by a bitter campaign of the Second International against the Soviet Union.

The British delegates' attitude provoked a furore, some delegates supporting, others, particularly the officials, violently opposing.

Crispien, whose official speech was one long calumny against the Soviet Union, furiously demanded the British delegation withdraw the charge against the Second International, which the British refused to do.

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UNDERSTANDING MADE IMPOSSIBLE.

MOSCOW, U. S. S. R., July 18.—The Soviet government's note to Nanking, delivered last night, cuts through the web of falsehood and propaganda thinly shielding the world imperialist aggression on the Soviet Union now being carried out by the Chinese militarist governments at Nanking and Mukden, and brands as hypocritical and provocative the answer sent by the Nanking cabinet to the U. S. S. R. demand for reopening of negotiations over the Chinese Eastern Railway and the Soviet government's demand that persecution of Soviet employes on the road be stopped.

The Soviet note finally asserted that the Chinese government made an understanding impossible. It also declared that Chiang Kai-shek, head of the Nationalist government, had stated that the confiscation of the Chinese Eastern Railway was only the first move in Nanking's foreign policy toward the Soviet government.

SEES NO HOPE OF RECONCILIATION.

"The Soviet government, therefore, perceives no further possibility of restoration of diplomatic relations," the note said. "The Chinese government has shown that it does not desire peace with the Soviet Union and therefore alone bears the blame for the collapse in relations."

The U. S. S. R. immediately ordered all traffic intended for Vladivostok to detour around the northern route along the Amur River, in U. S. S. R. territory, and stopped all traffic going into Manchuria. All Soviet Union consulates and trade offices in Chinese territory are being closed, and all Soviet workers on the Chinese Eastern system are recalled.

It is known here that these two measures strike a heavy financial blow at the Chinese militarists' war chests, for the Chinese Eastern road paid the Mukden government about $5,000,000 annually in profits, and 90 per cent of the trade was from across the Manchurian border. Moreover, withdrawal of Soviet Union skilled workers, it is thought, will cause at least two years' delay in building a working staff with imported imperialist or Chinese militarist personnel.

These measures are made necessary by the Nanking government's evasive and provocative answer to the Soviet Union's demands, and the unsuccessful attack on the border customs house by Chang Hsueh-liang's police at Pogranitchnaya, as well as the armed, but unsuccessful, attack by the same police on the Soviet consulate on the Manchurian side of the border.

The answer sent by Chiang Kai-shek, says the Soviet note last night, "confirmed the confiscation of the Chinese Eastern Railway and rebuffed the efforts of the Soviet Union to inaugurate an understanding between both peoples."

The Soviet note also declared that the Chinese reply criticized the Soviet government instead of occupying itself with the three demands in the Soviet ultimatum.

"The Chinese government, furthermore, accused the Soviet government of various machinations which were based on falsehoods," the note said.

DENIES ARREST OF CHINESE.

"It is untrue that several thousand Chinese citizens at Moscow or in the Soviet Union were arrested or were about to be arrested. The only Chinese citizens in Soviet prisons are those who were sentenced in Soviet courts for ordinary crimes and smuggling."

The news of the break in relations was received by the workers of the U. S. S. R. with renewed demonstrations of loyalty to their government, and continued pledges, a vast avalanche of resolutions from countless factory, shop and village meetings, that they will defend the results of their toil from all imperialist invasions.

"The break raises the question of safety of a considerable part of our eastern frontiers," said Izvestia, official government organ. "This will compel the Soviet Union to take necessary measures for protection. The character of these measures will be dictated by further developments."

The press generally attacked the Chinese reply to the U. S. S. R. demand for negotiations as dishonest. The editorials vigorously attacked President Chiang Kai-shek and other Chinese leaders as "looters and bandits," and Izvestia added:

"The Soviet Union can distinguish between the great Chinese nation and the temporary rulers who now speak in its name. The Soviet Union continues to be guided by the close ties of the two nations which forecast eventual co-operation against a common enemy—the world of imperialism."

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Police Raid L'Humanite.

PARIS, France, July 18.—Under the guise of "searching for Communist spies and preventing plots against the French government," Paris police last night raided the office of L'Humanite and all Communist Party offices, making five arrests. An official statement from the police department indicates that some of the arrested will be deported, and others charged with "inciting military disobedience."

The raid is understood here as part of the campaign to discriminate against the Soviet Union in its present struggle against the imperialist hirelings in China, and an attempt to disorganize the preparations for an enormous workers' demonstration against imperialist war and for the defense of the Soviet Union, on International Red Day, August 1.

The police in their raids carried off files, documents, and mailing lists.

Kellogg Adds His Blow.

WASHINGTON, July 18.—Ex-Secretary of State Kellogg, from his place of retirement has notified the Washington officials that his Kellogg pacts will prevent war between Russia and China if observed, and that if Russia attacks China, she will face the resentment of all signatories." This excuse for foreign imperialist aggression on the U. S. S. R. is being unofficially retailed to press correspondents by the Hoover cabinet, which does not, yet, however, make an official statement on it. The general inclination is to do whatever possible to injure the U. S. S. R. without actually committing the government, or doing anything to interfere with hopes of increased trade.

Germany Acts for Both.

BERLIN, July 18.—Germany has agreed to requests from both the Soviet Union and the Chiang government to protect their interests in the other's country during the present break in relations.

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to give the dressmakers the same glorious conditions, the same hard and fast company union contract as he gave the cloakmakers. The dressmakers must realize this danger and fight against it. In the organization drive that we are starting every dressmaker member of the Industrial Union, whether he or she works in a union or in an open shop, must be an organizer and educate the workers and rally them for the struggle."

Charles Zimmerman, vice-president of the Industrial Union, outlined the general tasks of the dressmakers in the coming drive and urged intensive activity on the part of each worker.

Of especial interest were the many speeches by rank and file dressmakers. In simple language, without oratorical flourishes, they told of the terrible conditions in the shops. All declared their determination to enter with the utmost energy into the organization drive and to enlist as many workers as possible.

The Needle Trades Workers Industrial Union announces that block and building committees of dressmakers will be organized at once and a rank and file organization committee. All workers employed in open shops should bring in their complaints to the organization department of the Industrial Union, 131 W. 28th St.

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Workers Drive Off Thugs.

Workers employed in the Juvenile Cloak Company, 263 W. 38th St., yesterday gave a fitting reply to a gangster committee sent by the Schlesinger-Dubinsky clique. The fact that these cloakmakers are working under real union conditions, since the shop has an agreement with the Industrial Union, was too much for the company union agents to stomach, and so they sent their "socialist" guerillas to force the workers into the scab camp. But the "committee," consisting of about ten tough-looking worthies, got more than they expected when the cloakmakers grabbed their working tools and drove them out of the shop.

Communists fight on behalf of the immediate aims and interests of the working class, but in their present movement they are also defending the future of the movement.—Marx.

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Aderholt during the police raid on the tent colony, that they drove the proprietor of a refreshment stand into the river and threatened his life, and fired two shots at another man at the same time, shortly before they helped to raid the strikers.

Were Star Witnesses.

Judges Carter and Neal of the counsel for the defense of the Gastonia workers now in prison have arrived in Charlotte to stay until the trial. Defense counsel points out that the holding for trial of the strikers rested largely on the testimony of Roach and Gilbert, and that the indictment of these two raises the question of their credibility.

Large and enthusiastic meetings of mill workers continue every day, as part of the campaign leading to the July 28 Southern Textile Conference of the National Textile Workers Union.

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I. L. D. Issues Grave Warning.

The International Labor Defense stated last night that while the indictment of Roach and Gilbert and the change of judges is a victory for the defense, on the face of things, it is from the mill-owner prosecution's point of view another new and clever tactic of a group as murderously decided on electrocution as ever. It is a plan to hide at all costs from the masses the terrible conditions and enslavement of the workers in the Carolina textile mills, the extreme terror to which the workers have been subjected since the strike, and the frame-up methods used and to be used, to kill the strikers' leaders.

Don't Be Fooled!

"The gravest danger," says the I. L. D., "is that the workers will not recognize these new tactics of the prosecution to railroad the workers to the chair or long prison terms, and at the same time hide in the court trial all reference to the terror and exploitation. The Gastonia Gazette admits the worry felt by the highest state officials that these conditions would be exposed at the trial, (of course putting it in the form that the Carolina mill owners might be slandered by reporters who might come to the trial) and declares that all possible measures must be taken to prevent any such testimony at the trial.

"Our answer to this maneuver must be," stated the I. L. D., "Smash the murder frameup against the Gastonia strikers!"

"Save the defendants from the electric chair!"

"No prison sentence for any defendant!"

"Immediate and unconditional release of all 23 of the innocent men and women held on charges arising out of the police raid, and the strikers' heroic defense of themselves, their homes and families!"

These new tactics mean, says the I. L. D., that workers everywhere must immediately redouble their efforts to save these prisoners.

Plan Eight Anti-War Meetings Tonight

The list of speakers and the posts to which they have been assigned follows:

10th St. and Second Ave.: Weinstone, J. Harvey, Carl Reeve, Di Santo, Gussakoff, Sasar, Blankenstein, Powers, Frank Bailinson, James Mo, Intrator, Klinghoffer, Helfin, Amter, Clark.

110th St. and Fifth Ave.: Harper, Poyntz, Sam Nessin, S. Brody, De Fazio, N. Ross, R. Moore, M. Nestor, Sisselman, Garcia, Wm. Z. Foster, Jessie Taft, Himeff, Daniels, Patterson, Schandler, Albert. These speakers are to meet at 143 East 103rd St. at 7:45.

Intervale and Wilkins: Jack Stachel, M. J. Olgin, Ben Gold, C. Hacker, N. Silverman, Paterson, S. Darcy, Harry Eisman, Y. Y. Hsu, Rebecca Grecht, Norman, Green, Rijak.

Grand Street Extension: G. Serio, Garcia, Markoff, Schandler, Paul Miller, H. M. Wicks, M. Hoffer, Davis, Wilson, Sacks, Gorschoff.

Stone and Pitkin: L. Fink, Dora Tulchinsky, Lifshitz, Rijak, Grace Lamb, Nat Kaplan, Rose Rubin, Gudisman, Trotzky, Chernenko, Heller.

18th Ave. and 43rd St.: Paul Tabolinsky, Max Bedacht, Pasternack, Chappa, Glassford, Ragozin, Wrimoff, Eisenberg, Litvak, Resnikoff.

Steinway and Jamaica: Biedenkapp, Williams, Pershing, Youkelson, Harfield, Steele, Zimmerman.

Whitehall and South Ferry: J. L. Engdahl, Moreau, C. Brodsky, B. Siskind, G. Alexander, James Mo.

DAVIS AGREES TO HELP SMASH NEW ORLEANS STRIKE

Union Fakers Don' Want Tie-up

WASHINGTON, July 18.—Secretary of Labor Davis said today he was willing to act as arbitrator in the New Orleans street carmen strike if the street car company joined with the request of the union officials.

Davis had been approached by W. D. Mahon, when the union leader found he had little control of the militant spirit of the men who are demanding a general strike against the efforts to get them back to work by armed enforcement of the injunction.

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Take Up General Strike.

NEW ORLEANS, July 18.—Final preparations were being made for the mass meeting, called because of the strong pressure from the strikers, to decide on the question of calling a general strike.

Meanwhile, while union betrayers awaited Davis' confirmation that he would be willing to join in negotiations to "arbitrate" the men back to the job, armed deputies and marshals guarded scab cars. Only five car barns were in service. Two strikers were arrested for violation of the injunction.

A giant provocateur's bomb—which like most of its kind was discovered just before it was supposed to explode, was found to contain 1 sticks of dynamite. It was placed on the gas main.

41 SEAMEN DROWN.

VALPARAISO, Chile, July 18.—Forty-one seamen were drowned when the Chilean navy transport Abtao went down in a violent storm off the coast yesterday, only two members of the crew of 43 having been saved.

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"Stand By the Workers and Peasants of USSR Against War Lord Hirelings of Capitalism"

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on the Siberian frontier by this vassal and puppet government of China.

Insolent Provocation.

The seizing of the Russo-Chinese Eastern Railway, the arrest, imprisonment, deportations of Soviet workers, the massing of tens of thousands of troops on the Manchurian border, are insolent acts of provocation, are the beginning of a definite move to invade the Soviet Union, to destroy the revolution in the land of the Soviets, and to let loose a reign of terror and mass murder unparalleled in history.

The capitalist press, the poison mongers of the bourgeoisie that slander every workers' strike, that lies daily against the working class, the strikebreaking organs of the exploiters are now slandering the Soviet Union, championing the cause of the war lords and voicing the interests of the imperialists against the Soviet Union. Despite the open provocation of the servile Chinese government against the Soviet Union, despite the hypocritical counter-demands of the Chinese government to the just demands of the Soviet Union for the release of the arrested Soviet workers, the capitalist press aims to put the Soviet Union in the position of aggressor. This is done to cover up the acts of war of the Chinese war lords and the manouvers of the imperialist powers.

The socialists and labor bureaucrats, that are part of the capitalist war machine, are now playing their dirty role in this conspiracy against the Soviet Union. They are speaking of "Red Imperialism" of the workers' republic, when every honest worker in the world knows that the Soviet Union has been the foremost champion for the peace of the world, has repeatedly proposed universal disarmament, which was rejected by the capitalist diplomats under instructions from their governments.

Only Nation Granting Freedom.

The Soviet Union has been the only nation in the world that has given complete independence to the former oppressed nationalities of Czarist Russia. The people of Soviet Union, composed of over one hundred different nationalities, live in the most complete harmonious and peaceful relations. Every honest worker knows that the Soviet Union was the only nation that returned to the Chinese people all the rights which had been seized from them by the old imperialist czarist government. The MacDonald government, which promised recognition as one of its first acts, has been doing the bidding of the imperialists, delaying recognition, and is now preparing humiliating terms as a condition for recognition. The "labor" government of MacDonald and the socialist government of Mueller are governments of war against the Soviet Union.

The imperialist powers, despite the fundamental antagonisms among them, have one common platform on which they all meet—their implacable hatred and fear of the Soviet Union. They are making war against the Soviet Union because they fear the onward march of the forces of the workers' and peasants' republic toward the building of socialism. They are beginning to make war on the Soviet Union because their own system is shaky, growing ever more unstable; because they hope with the destruction of the Soviet Union they may be able by seizing the land of the Soviets to secure new markets and raw material; they may be able to obtain huge profits and to stave off the growing acuteness of the world crisis of capitalism.

White Guard Murder.

They hope by making war on the Soviet Union, by suppressing the great land of liberated proletarian workers, to succeed through a reign of white guard murder to suppress the rising tide of the class struggle in their own imperialist countries. They hope by destroying the Russian Revolution to be free from this revolutionary force that is a danger to the capitalist system and an inspiration to the world proletariat and oppressed colonial peoples and to fight out the antagonisms among themselves springing from the need of new markets, raw materials, antagonisms that are leading to a world war among the imperialist powers.

Who is Making War Against the Soviet Union?

The Chinese war lords responsible for the death of millions of Chinese people through famine, the hirelings of the imperialists that have resorted to the cruelest forms of torture and slaughter of tens of thousands of trade unionists, militants and Communists.

Who is Making War Against the Soviet Union?

The capitalist class, the exploiters of the world; that are suppressing the labor movement, that are destroying the unions, that are driving the workers in the factory and subjecting them to inhuman speed-up, that are cutting wages, that are impoverishing the masses of toiling humanity, that are throwing them into dungeons, that are nullifying their rights of organization, that are imposing new chains of slavery upon the backs of labor.

Who is Making War Against the Soviet Union?

The American government, the government of the big bankers and trust magnates, the murderers of Sacco and Vanzetti, the government of the open shop, the strikebreaking government, the champion and defender of the speed-up system, of unemployment, of low wages, the government that imprisons workers, that deports them, the government of capitalist exploiters.

Who is Making War Against the Soviet Union?

The imperialist power that keeps under an iron heel the peoples of Nicaragua, of Mexico, of the Philippines, of Haiti, of Porto Rico, the imperialist powers that dominate the millions of India, of Asia, that are subjecting the people of China.

War against the Soviet Union is war against the working class of the entire world!

Fellow workers, the fight of the workers and peasants of the Union of Socialist Soviet Republics against imperialist war is your fight. The defense of the Soviet Union is the defense of the socialist fatherland of the proletariat! The defense of the Soviet Union means the defense of the labor movement! To defend the Soviet Union is to defend the freedom of the workers and peasants of the land of the Soviets and means to defend the rights and freedom of the workers of the entire world.

Now is the time to enroll in the struggle to fight the imperialist war danger!

Now is the moment for the workers of the entire city to let their voices ring with protest against the war provocations and acts of war against the Soviet Union.

Now is the time for the workers of New York City to unite with the workers of the entire country, with the toilers of the entire world in one common front for the fight against imperialist war, for the defense of the Soviet Union.

Workers of New York! Do Your Share!

Adopt resolutions of protest in every shop and mill, every trade union, every fraternal organization, every labor body! Come to the defense of the Soviet Union!

Prepare for August First, International Anti-War Day! Elect delegates to the mass Anti-War Conference July 25, at Irving Plaza, called for the defense of the Soviet Union and for the International Anti-War Demonstration, August 1. NPrepare to down tools August 1, and to participate in the huge demonstration in Union Square!

March from your workshop to the Square to demonstrate!

Let the voice of labor be heard with all its invincible power!

Stand by the Soviet Union, the land of the workers and peasants!

Defend the Soviet Union against the Chinese war lords, hirelings of world imperialism!

COMMUNIST PARTY OF THE U. S. A., NEW YORK DISTRICT.

Build Up the United Front of the Working Class From the Bottom Up—at the Enterprises!

CHINESE LABOR IN AMERICA URGES DEFENSE OF THE SOVIET UNION

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other equipment purchased with money he has plundered from the Chinese people, supplemented with large amounts directly from the American and other imperialist powers.

DESPISE WHITE GUARD MERCENARIES.

"A considerable part of the present armies mobilizing on the Siberian frontier are commanded by white-guard Russians, whom the Chinese masses despise because it was precisely these military hirelings, these degenerate adventurers, this very scum of the earth that fought in the ranks of the reactionary forces against the Chinese revolution.

"We Chinese in America are indomitably opposed to imperialism; we struggle against its every manifestation and urge all our people to do likewise. Particularly do we hail the action of the workers and peasants of China who are organizing insurrections that will help from within to crush the bloody Nanking government.

SOLDIERS WILL DESERT.

"We are sure that countless thousands of Chinese troops will desert the armies under command of the imperialist mercenaries and go over to the side of the Red Army. Already thousands of our Chinese comrades in the Soviet Union have volunteered to serve in the Red Army against the imperialist bandits.

"We hail with great joy this example of international working class solidarity, and pledge ourselves to carry on a campaign in the United States against the Nanking regime of imperialist agents and murderers of the Chinese peoples.

"We hail the world-wide demonstrations in behalf of the defense of the Soviet Union that are taking place and we greet the international preparations that are being made for mass strikes and demonstrations against imperialist war on August First.

"CHINESE AND AMERICAN WORKERS, UNITE AGAINST OUR IMPERIALIST ENEMIES!

"DOWN WITH THE NANKING BUTCHERS!

"EXTERMINATE CHIANG KAI-SHEK AND HIS ASSOCIATE IMPERIALIST HIRELINGS!

"DEFEND THE SOVIET UNION!

"DEFEND THE CHINESE REVOLUTION!

"DOWN WITH IMPERIALIST WAR!

"DOWN WITH AMERICAN IMPERIALISM!

"LONG LIVE THE SOLIDARITY OF THE WORKERS OF THE WORLD!

"FORWARD TO INTERNATIONAL DAY AGAINST IMPERIALIST WAR, AUGUST FIRST.

"ALLIANCE FOR SUPPORT OF THE CHINESE WORKERS' AND PEASANTS' REVOLUTION.

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"CHINESE SECTION OF AMALGAMATED FOOD WORKERS, K. L. CHANG, Chairman."

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Clothing Workers Meet.

The operators, Pressers and Tailors Clubs will meet at 7 p. m. today at 28 Union Square.

BROOKLYN

Williamsburgh International Labor Defense.

Hoffer and Schaeffer will speak on Gastonia at the meeting of the branch at 8 p. m. today at 56 Manhattan Ave.

MANHATTAN

Die Naturefreunde.

A dance rehearsal will be held at 250 E. 81st St. at 8 p. m. today.

The English Section will swim at the quarries Sunday. Meet at E. 180th St. subway station at 8 p. m.

August 18 Daily Worker picnic

Pleasant Bay Park

Watch for Announcements

Communist Activities

All units and all members attention!

Main tasks for the Units:

(1) Defend the Soviet Union. Fight against the war danger. This is the main task of the Party units. Mobilization for Friday night's meetings. All Party comrades must attend the meetings and bring workers with them.

(2) Prepare for the anti-war conference July 25th.

(3) Units to take up, raising the issue in all organizations, of mobilization for the anti-war conference July 25th.

(4) Special mobilizations of which the units will be informed.

(5) Discussion in the units on Leninist war tactics and aims of International Red Day.

(6) Gastonia defense. Everything to be mobilized for the WIR and ILD week starting July 27th. Make the conference on July 26th a mass event, to help establish the Gastonia Defense Committee of the ILD.

(7) Make the affair of the ILD on July 20th at Washington Baths a huge success.

(8) Prepare the election machinery for putting the Party ticket on the ballot.

(9) Take the preparatory steps for the TUUC and the conference on August 25th in preparation for the Cleveland Conference.

(10) Every Party comrade must pay his day's wage. Funds are needed to carry on the struggle against the war danger.

DIRECTIONS TO ALL FRACTIONS IN TRADE UNIONS AND LABOR ORGANIZATIONS. (Fraternal, women's organizations, workers' clubs, etc.)

Meet immediately on the war danger, as follows: To prepare for raising the question of the tasks in relation to the defense of the Soviet Union. Mobilize the masses for a struggle against the war provocations.

See that the organization in which your fraction works elects delegates to the anti-war conference July 25 (three to five delegates) and to the Gastonia Conference of the ILD July 26th.

Do everything to make the events in which the Party participates successful.

Immediate tasks for all New Jersey and up-state New York units in line with a program of work sent out today are:

(1) Get resolutions passed in all workers' organizations for defense of the Soviet Union against the war provocations of the Nanking government backed by the foreign imperialists. Immediate arrangement of open air meetings on issue.

(2) Immediately send material for special anti-war issue of every shop paper we issue.

(3) Elect committee of three to carry thru other preparations for August 1st. An open air demonstration in every town must be arranged.

(4) Immediate mobilization for Second Metropolitan Trade Union Unity Conference in New York August 20th and National Convention in Cleveland August 31st.

(5) Arrange house to house collections and at least one tag day for Gastonia Defense before July 29.

DISTRICT COMMITTEE.

MANHATTAN

Section 2 Functionaries Confer.

A "Defend the Soviet Union" conference will be held by functionaries of Section 2 at 6:30 p. m. today at the Workers Center, 26 Union Square.

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Yorkville C. Y. L.

The Executive Committee meets today at 6 p. m. at the Workers Center, 26 Union Square. Because there will be no unit membership meeting today comrades must attend this executive meeting.

There will be an open air demonstration for the defense of the Soviet Union at 7:30 p. m. today at 110th St. and Fifth Ave.

Special Work For Party, League Members.

Party and League members are instructed to report at the District Office, 28 Union Square, at 10 a. m. tomorrow for special work.

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Hold Speakers Class.

A speakers' class will be held every Thursday night beginning at 7 o'clock under the direction of Rebecca Grecht. The class starts August 8. Because of the limited number who can register comrades are urged to join the class immediately at the Workers School. Fee for the entire course is $1.

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Downtown Unit, C. Y. L., Meets.

League members must report at the unit meeting at 7:30 p. m. today instead of at 8 p. m., at 27 E. Fourth St.

BROOKLYN

Factory Gate Meetings Today.

Section 6 has arranged factory gate meetings for 5 p. m. today at the American Safety Company, Myrtle and Lawrence Sts., and at the Absolute Fresh Baking Company, Wyckoff and Flushing Aves., at 5 p. m.

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The Soviet Defense Against Imperialist War

THE insolent, hypocritical, provocative note of the Chinese government of imperialist hirelings could have evoked but one response from the Soviet government—the immediate breaking of diplomatic relations, and the taking of final steps for the defense of the land of workers and peasants.

Chiang Kai-shek and his brigand associates are but pawns in the hands of the imperialist powers, chief among them being the ruling class and the government of the United States of America, the first officially to recognize the Nanking regime. The same Wall Street gang that backs the Chiang Kai-shek regime maintains a special "financial advisor," Charles S. Dewey, in Poland, to supervise American investments. Wall Street invests millions in the Baltic states of Latvia, Lithuania, Esthonia, Roumania and other vassal states strategically situated for attacks against the workers' and peasants' government. The direct interest of the United States ruling power in the war conspiracies against the Soviet Union are revealed by the tone of the American capitalist press, which tries to distort the facts to create the impression that not the imperialist hirelings at Nanking, but the Soviet government at Moscow are the aggressors. Even a cursory examination of some of the latest developments in the field of international politics will explode any such illusions.

In the first place it must be borne in mind that the Soviet government has time and again officially proposed to the imperialist powers immediate and complete disarmament. Those proposals have been consistently rejected by all the capitalist powers.

The conversations between the British premier, MacDonald, and Dawes, the American ambassador, the proposed visit to Hoover of MacDonald, indicate, not a softening of the world-wide Anglo-American antagonisms, but the fact that these imperialist governments are discussing the one issue on which they meet on common ground, the war preparations against the Soviet Union. MacDonald, the "labor premier," the hero of the socialist international, is carrying out the British imperialist policy even more effectively than the Baldwin tory government. The gigantic Far East naval base at Singapore is being rushed to completion, the intrigues and violence in Afghanistan continue, and British imperial troops continue to concentrate in India, at strategic points from which to attack the Soviet Union. It is the whole series of war-like preparations, the entire history of provocations against the Soviet Union from the days of Charles Evans Hughes' reiterated attacks as President Harding's secretary of state, and the Arcos raid in London, down to this very moment, that must be kept in mind in estimating the latest war drive against the Soviet Union.

Not all the filthy lies to the contrary printed in the columns of the prostitute press are sufficient to conceal the fact of imperialist aggression against the Soviet Union. The measures taken by the workers' and peasants' government are defense measures against a world-wide conspiracy of imperialist butchers who want to invade Soviet territory, crush the workers' and peasants' power and turn that vast country into a slaughter house of reaction.

The revolutionary government of the Soviet Union is fully aware of the fact that behind the war-like activity of the bandit government of Chiang Kai-shek stands the imperialist powers awaiting an opportunity to launch a second drive from the west and a third in Middle Asia and the Near East.

The working class of the whole world must resist this drive with all their power. American labor, especially, must stand by the government of workers and peasants, and fight with all its power the imperialist war danger.

In every part of the world there are great demonstrations in defense of the Soviet Union and tonight in every working class section of Greater New York the workers should rally by the tens of thousands in gigantic protests against imperialist war, against the role of the Wall Street government at Washington in the attacks on the Soviet Union, and in defense of the Socialist Fatherland.

War Danger Demands Party Unity

IN THE MIDST of the work of mobilizing the Communist Party for the struggle against imperialist war and in defense of the Soviet Union there are still small, isolated elements striving to organize a factional struggle against the Party and the Comintern.

It must be evident to all Communists that the one imperative need is complete unity of the Party, the liquidation of every last vestige of factionalism, and a solid front against the imperialist enemy.

At such a time as this anyone who endeavors to break the unity of the Party through trying to organize a factional struggle, or who takes a conciliatory attitude, or who leaves his or her post is giving direct aid and comfort to the enemies of the working class who are trying to destroy the Soviet Union.

It is at such times as these that the real mettle of Communists is put to the test. Those who fail in such a situation thereby prove that they are unfit for membership in the revolutionary party of the working class.

"At Geneva the imperialists were at last compelled to express openly and clearly their actual brutal and warlike intentions. The pacifist fog which enveloped the fifty meetings of the League of Nations has been torn aside. The imperialistic antagonisms stand out before us more glaringly than ever. Disarmament has been rejected with ruthless candor, with scorn and contempt. The competition in armaments and the threatening danger of war dominate everything. Incitement against the Soviet Union, which is accused of preaching civil war, comes to the front as the sole meaning and purpose of the capitalist League of Nations, as the only thing which unites the imperialist rulers. The social-democrats of all countries stand in the pillory as the champions, as the most cunning spokesmen of the imperialist war-mongers.—Wilhelm Koenen: "The League of Nations' Imperialists Come Out in Their True Colors."

UNCLE SAM HEADS THE ATTACK

By Fred Ellis

Enlightenment Campaign on the Comintern Address to the Communist Party

THE Polbureau is desirous of securing the broadest possible Enlightenment Campaign on the Comintern Address and the immediate Party tasks outlined therein. All Party members and particularly the comrades active in the workshops in the basic industries are invited to write their opinions for the Party Press. Resolutions of Factory Nuclei also will be printed in this section. Send all material dealing with this campaign to Comrade Jack Stachel, care National office, Communist Party, 43 E. 125th St., New York City.

United Fight Against Opposition to Comintern Urged by Strong Proletarian Membership of Communist Party

Support Stand of Central Committee in War on Splitters; Pledge Untiring Energy to Carry Out Line of Communist International as Formulated in Decisions of Sixth World Congress, Open Letter and Address to Membership.

"Defeat the splitting maneuvers of the Lovestone-lead opposition to the Comintern and its United States Section by a united Party fight on the basis of the decisions of the Sixth World Congress, the Open Letter to the Convention and the Address to the Membership." This is the central point of resolutions in which rank-and-file Party members—proletarians who understand what a Bolshevik-lead Party means for them in their daily struggles—express their determination to rally behind the Central Committee of the Party in its fight against the American Agents of the International Right.

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Communist Youth in New York Supports Party Against Opposition

"We endorse the action of the Polcom in expelling Jay Lovestone from the Party," states a resolution passed by the District Executive Committee of District 2, New York. The resolution also endorses the Polcom's removal of Bertram D. Wolfe from the Polcom and endorses the action of the N.E.C. Buro of the League in suspending Jack Rubinstein as a Buro member.

Functionaries of the N. Y. District endorsed the disciplinary measures, taken by the League against Rubinstein, Silvis, Gordon and Yablon for their opposition to the Comintern Address, in a resolution passed by 71 to 1 with 1 abstention.

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Cleveland Calls for Unity Against Splitters

"The Russian Fraction of Cleveland calls upon the Party to mobilize its forces for the fight against the coming war danger and for the struggle against social reformism and the right wing danger, so that our Party will be able to perform its duty in the coming days," states a resolution, denouncing Jay Lovestone and his followers in their attempts to split the Party, passed by the Russian Fraction of Cleveland.

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Section Five, New York, Fights Splitters.

"The Section Executive Committee condemns the splitting maneuvers of Lovestone, Wolfe and Gitlow, and pledges itself to carry on a merciless fight against them," declares a resolution adopted unanimously by the Executive Committee of Section Five, New York District Two.

The resolution expresses the determination of the Section Executive Committee to "mobilize the members of the Section for the unanimous acceptance, endorsement and carrying out of this important Address of the Comintern to its American section."

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Greets "Death Blow to Factionalism"

Condemning the splitting actions of Jay Lovestone, Bertram D. Wolfe and Benjamin Gitlow, the Staten Island International Branch of the Party, in its resolution adopted at a membership meeting, "greets the Address as a means of dealing a death blow to the factionalism that has hampered the development of our Party."

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N. Y. Units Greets Enlightenment Campaign.

"We greet the enlightenment campaign undertaken by our Central Committee as a means to clarify the members to carry out the Comintern decision."

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Kansas City Nucleus Behind Address.

"Get Behind the line of the Comintern Address" is the message of Kansas Party members expressed in a resolution carried unanimously at a meeting of Nucleus 10-19. The resolution condemns the actions of "Lovestone, Gitlow, Wolfe and others for their opposition and refusal to accept the decisions of the E.C.C.I."

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Chicago Nucleus Endorses C. E. C. Decisions

Members of Street Nucleus 9, Section 2, So. Chicago, "fully accept and endorse the open Address of the Communist International," states a resolution carried at the nucleus meeting. The members pledge "support to the Central Committee to carry out the decision of the Communist International."

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Cicero, Ill., Nucleus Will Fight Opposition.

"We pledge ourselves to fight every opposition to the Communist International and every manifestation of factionalism within our Party," declares the resolution adopted by Nucleus 206, Cicero, Ill., on the Comintern Address.

Detroit Supports Central Committee.

Untiring efforts to swing the Detroit section of the Party into the line of the Comintern is expressed in resolutions adopted at Polbureau, D. E. C. and functionaries meetings in Detroit.

Party functionaries declare that they will "win the Party for the immediate smashing of all groups, for the most intensive and concrete self-criticism as a concrete measure against the right danger, and for a mobilization of the Party against the danger of a split, whether this danger manifests itself in open challenge of the Comintern, as in the case of Lovestone, Gitlow and Wolfe, or whether it hides behind a formal acceptance of the Comintern decision, as in the case of Comrade Miller."

The District Committee "undertakes to win the entire Party membership for the support of the Comintern Address."

Every shop and street nucleus in the city adopted resolutions pledging to "fight against all elements in the Party who oppose or do not carry out the decisions of the Comintern."

The Political Committee's resolution condemns Jay Lovestone and Benjamin Gitlow for their opposition to the Address which "leaves an opening for a split in the American Party."

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Canton, Ohio, Supports Central Committee.

"We pledge our support of the C.E.C. in uniting the Communist Party of the U. S. A. on the basis of the Comintern Address," members of Unit 116, Street Nucleus, Canton, Ohio, declare in their resolution on the Address.

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Branch 6, Section 5, N. Y. District 2, Will Support Central Committee.

"We condemn the splitting attitude on the part of Lovestone, Gitlow and Wolfe and fully support the action of the C. E. C. and the D. E. C. in removing Bert Miller from the position of Organization Secretary of the New York District for his concealed opposition," states the resolution of members of Branch 6, Section 5.

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Buffalo District Bureau Reaffirms Support of Party Against Opposition.

"We reaffirm our unreserved acceptance of the Comintern letter and Address and will fight against any and all splitters and splitting tendencies from whatever quarter they come," a resolution passed by the District Bureau of District 4, Buffalo, states.

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N. Y. District Units Solidly Behind Central Committee in War On Splitters.

Resolutions endorsing the disciplinary measures taken by the Central Committee in line with the decisions of the Sixth World Congress, the Open Letter to the Convention and the Address to the membership were overwhelmingly supported at discussion meetings of Unit 2A 1F 15F; Yonkers Unit; Mt. Vernon Unit; Brownsville International Branch, Section 8 and the Finnish Unit.

Unreserved endorsement of the expulsion of Jay Lovestone from the Party was pledged in letters from P. Bozuroch, South Slavic Section Secretary, and Joseph Prokov, of St. Louis, who welcomes the Party enlightenment campaign as a means to help "turn the face of the Party squarely towards the sharpening class struggles."

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Metal Workers Support Stand of Party Against Opportunism.

That the Bolshevik stand taken by the Central Committee of the Party in its war on right wing opportunists has its roots deep in the revolutionary devotion of the proletarian core of the Party is again expressed in a resolution passed unanimously by the Ansonia, Conn., Nucleus.

"We support the decision of the Communist International and we also support the statements of the C.E.C. and the District Executive Committee. We strongly stand with our Party in the struggle against opportunism, Trotskyism and factionalism," the resolution declares.

Unconditional acceptance of the Comintern line is also pledged in a resolution passed at the general membership meeting of the New Haven, Conn., district. The resolution pledges loyalty to the decisions of the Comintern and the Central Committee "in the fight for a united Party in the U. S. A. under the leadership of the Comintern and for a fight against factionalism, against the right danger and Trotskyism."

One comrade who voted against the resolution, against the vote of 23, has since retracted from his stand and declared his solidarity with his fellow-Party members.

CEMENT

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Gleb Chumalov, Red Army Commissar, returns to his town on the Black Sea after the Civil Wars to find the great cement works, where he had formerly worked, in ruins and the life of the town disorganized. He discovers a great change in his wife, Dasha, whom he has not seen for three years. She is no longer the conventional wife, dependent on him, but has become a woman with a life of her own, a leader among the women of the town together with Polia Mekhova, secretary of the Women's Section of the Communist Party.

The town is attacked by a band of counter-revolutionaries and Gleb is in command of one of the defense detachments and the attack is repulsed. The town resumes its routine.

Gleb works hard, planning the reconstruction of the cement works.

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A MAN stepped out from the group of officers. He looked as though he had been put together from a pile of assorted fragments. He had high, heavy cheek-bones. He came close to Shibis, almost touching him with his shoulder.

"You, with your talk of scorn and cruelty. You think that you have hit us hard, eh?"—and here he raised his head high. "You think you have astounded us? You—you are only children. . . . And babies don't know what nightmares are. Well, this is poison to us, eh? But—you know—we were poisoned long ago. . . . So much that now we cannot feel it. Your blows do not hurt us. . . . If you succeed in hurting us, you will have learned more than now . . . . eh? I have finished——!"

Drearily he turned round. Shibis smiled through his mask.

"You're right. But it's in vain that you affect this boldness. You know well enough what kind of hurt we can inflict upon you. Isn't it so? We cannot be accused of being frivolous or unjust."

The man walked off without looking back.

The boyish young officer ran up again. He had recovered somewhat from his attack.

"We can only take revenge now. Revenge ourselves more pitilessly than you. Revenge ourselves on everyone—on the whole of Europe. On the whole world. I shall know how to vindicate myself!"

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SHIBIS narrowed his eyes and his face became small and sharp.

"We don't seek vengeance—bear that in mind. We're fighting for the great ideals of humanity—for Communism. Those who want revenge we destroy as criminals. We have a good mill and we grind small; you'll see it."

The officers were silent. Their faces were grey.

Shibis looked at the sun, which lit innumerable points in his eyes; and suddenly the mask dropped from his face.

"We open the doors. . . . In the name of the toilers, we forgive. You will contribute your strength to the Republic of the Soviets."

One could not hear another word. Thronging, surging, jostling each other. . . . A witches dance! With open mouths and staring eyes they rushed round Shibis. Shibis was shouting, Mekhova was shouting, Serge was shouting. Gleb, also, was shouting at the top of his voice; a moment after, he could not remember one of the words he had said. A ragged soldier, his naked shoulder showing through his torn shirt, lay on his belly, crying and sobbing. Someone was swearing amazingly in a joyous, choking voice.

Serge's hands and legs trembled. He moved aside a little in order to calm himself.

The masts were swinging like branches in the air. The antennae stretched from mast to mast hummed like a zither-string. The sea and air seemed full of fiery floods. Serge believed that life was immortal, and that the birds with their shimmering, explosive flight would bring to the air some strange and colored blooming.

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SHIDKY was speaking to the gold-laced Englishman. The pipe in the corner of the captain's mouth trembled alarmingly; and his eyes bulged, uneasy and green, like those of a screech-owl. By sheer willpower he was keeping a grave, proud countenance. Suddenly, he stiffly raised his hand to the peak of his cap and began to walk with a heavy camel's stride to the deckhouse, his fat posterior waggling from side to side. Shidky looked after him laughing and, meeting Serge's eye, winked, his Asiatic nostrils distended in a broad grin.

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THE RED FLAG.

THE crowd absorbed Gleb. There was the crowd only and no Gleb.

A Cossack in a torn Tartar vest, bare-footed, and with tufted beard, stood facing Gleb. Between his hands he held a strip of red cloth. The Cossacks and soldiers were intermingled—all dressed in coarsely woven shirts. One wore a Turkish fez under which one could hardly see his face.

"This flag is red. Although it looks like a rag, Comrade, to you whose eyes are accustomed to red skies. Look, lad, not with the eyes of everyday, but from the heart. I'm speaking from my sould, Comrades: this is our fate, our blood—this flag. I'm a Cossack, a sharpshooter, I give you my word! And we're all Cossacks: warriors of the Cuban and of the Don. But we have all travelled the same road of suffering. Isn't that so, my lads? Am I saying the truth, friends?"

A deep sigh shook the crowd.

"True, Cossack! Well said!"

The Cossack crumpled the red flag and then again spread it before Gleb. In the sun it seemed ragged and creased. Spots of oil showed on it.

Gleb took the rag and held it tightly grasped in his fist.

"Oh, so it was a shirt? Is it from a man who was killed? Is that why it is stained with blood?"

"Sure—blood from his guts. With his blood we are going home."

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AGAIN a heavy sigh arose from the crowd. There was moisture in the Cossack's eyes. Why was his face so red?

"In Gallipoli we said: 'Devil take it all, boys; let's go home.' We rioted, the whole lot of us. And he was at our head; he, the Cossack Gubati. They caught us—. Him too. We were driven like cattle to the slaughter, and they beat us with sticks. Beat us all, me and all of them. . . . Beat us till the blood came, and, as for Gubati, they beat him until his bones showed. We got out of it, but he was dying. 'Here,' said Gubati, 'I'm dying. Take the flag of my blood. This shirt will be your flag, the road to your freedom, the road to our brothers, the Bolsheviks.' That's what our father, the Cossack Gubati, said. And this shirt is our flag until death. I have carried it buried in my breast, in my soul, secret from all eyes—. And look, Comrade dear, how it flutters and flames, so joyfully it almost hurts."

The words of the Cossack were tumbling out hurriedly; he was waving his arms and the red cloth fluttered like a red bird over the people's heads.

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GLEB took off his helmet and stood bareheaded like the rest.

"A wonderful flag, truly. A precious flag. Look here, I've been a regimental commissar, but now I'm a workman. You haven't forgotten those hellish days? Look over there at the factory's smokestacks tearing the clouds. I'm over there as a mechanic and the workers' representative. We've thrashed Denikin and Wrangel—ourselves, with our own hands. With our blood we have smashed the enemy. What flag have we? There, look at the factory. It's still cold. We've moved it a bit away from the dead point, but it's not moving yet. The factory is still dark; who'll light it up with his blood? No one can beat us. The factory's just starting to kick, by God! Our hands and our blood did it! Over there—you see?—the work on the mountains. The trucks. When night comes, you'll see electric light everywhere. A hell of a lot of stars, made by us!"

"Yes, yes—we're all ready for work. But over there in the foreign countries, working-man's blood is poison. . . . That's how it is."

(To Be Continued)